

REMARKS

Claims 23-40 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 23-25, 27, 31, 34, 38-39, drawn to a contents preparation apparatus, classified in class 382, subclass 154; and

Group II, claims 26, 37, and 40, drawn to a contents reproduction apparatus for stereoscopically reproducing two-dimensional depth information, classified in class 382, subclass 117.

**For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 23-25, 27-36 and 38-39.**

Applicants note that the Examiner has not indicated dependent claims 28-30, 32-33, and 35-36 as being directed towards one of Groups I and II. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 28-30, 32-33, and 35-36 depend from independent claims 27, 31, and 34, respectively, and are accordingly elected as part of indicated Group I.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John R. Sanders, Registration No. 60,166 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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